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Gallaudet President I. King Jordan talks with recipients of the President's New Student Scholarship Awards Sept. 2. A grant from the Theodore R. and Vivian A. Johnson Foundation enabled Gallaudet to award 30 more of these scholarships than last year.

Hispanic Heritage Month to be celebrated at Gallaudet

It has been 500 years since Christopher Columbus sailed the ocean blue—a memorable date in the Americas that has not escaped Hispanic people of the United States as they prepare to celebrate the annual Hispanic Heritage Month, which will be recognized Sept. 15 to Oct. 15.

Gallaudet's Kendall Green and Northwest campuses will also be caught up in the festivities as the community's Hispanic population plans activities for this year's theme, "Continuation of the Culture: Combining Past and Present Hispanic Culture," with a month of music and dancing, arts and crafts, storytelling, food, sporting events, and presentations on Hispanic culture.

Hispanic Heritage Month has been recognized across the nation for many years. In Washington, D.C., a colorful street festival in the Adams Morgan area draws huge crowds from throughout the metropolitan area who come to enjoy the area's ethnic diversity.

Last year, when Consejo Padres Latinos (COPAL), a parents group sponsored by Pre-College Programs' Office of Latino Services, organized, one of its first priorities was to stage a festival on homecoming day during University Week.

But this time around, the celebration will be much larger and take in the entire University community rather than focus primarily on Pre-College, said Kenia Lopez, who is co-chairing a planning committee for the event along with Carolyn McCaskill-Emerson, coordinator of minority achievement for Pre-College's Multi-cultural Program.

Lopez, who is a Spanish language translator for the multi-cultural pro-

gram, said that this year's entertainment will feature Puerto Rico's "Rondalla Allegro," a group of 28 students ranging in age from 8 to 18 who will sing and dance Puerto Rican and Spanish musical selections, and an evening sing- and dance-along with Ballet Folklorico Cristo Rey, whose members sing and dance a variety of music from all provinces of Mexico.

A soccer match, half-time entertainment at the Bison/Newport News Apprentice homecoming game, storytelling by members of the Gallaudet Hispanic Deaf Students Organization and other members of the campus community, and a repeat of last year's successful arts, crafts, and food festival are other highlights of the month.

Lopez said the plans for the festival were made by a wide range of people representing minority interests at the University's two campuses. "Our

Ladd named Doctor Chair for 1992-93

Nigel Patrick "Paddy" Ladd, co-founder of the National Union of the Deaf in London, England, has been named Gallaudet's Powrie V. Doctor Chair of Deaf Studies for 1992-93.

Ladd, who assumes the Doctor Chair next month, will be the first deaf person from outside the North American continent to hold the position since it was established by Gallaudet in 1971 to allow eminent scholars to undertake special projects of their own choosing.

During his appointment, Ladd will examine the cross-cultural aspects of British and American deaf people and develop a descriptive model of deaf people as a cultural minority in the United States and the United Kingdom.

Since 1985, Ladd has been co-producer and researcher for the London Deaf Video Project and a team

member in the deafness studies course at the Open University. He has worked with the British Deaf Association as a researcher on "BSL: Britain's Fourth Language." He has lectured extensively, including The Deaf Way Conference and Festival in 1989, where he was a plenary speaker.

Ladd earned a B.A. in literature from Reading University, an M.A. in contemporary cultural studies from the University of London, and an M.Sc. in linguistic theory from Reading.

The Doctor Chair was established in memory of Dr. Powrie V. Doctor, a long-time professor of history at Gallaudet. The position is administered by the Office of the Dean of Graduate Studies and Research.

Trial announced for Dupree case

Editor's note: The following information has been released by Gallaudet's Office of Public Relations.

In November 1990, a former Gallaudet student, Carl Dupree, died after an incident in Ely Center. The Superior Court Grand Jury indicted four Gallaudet security officers on charges of involuntary manslaughter. Charged were Bernard Holt, James Rossi, Paul Starke, and Steven Young. The indictment alleges that the officers used excessive force in attempting to apprehend Dupree.

The trial will begin Sept. 15, 1992. Gallaudet will not be issuing ongoing reports to the campus community during the trial, which is expected to last approximately two weeks. Please check your local newspaper to keep up with the proceedings.

main objective is to demonstrate that at Gallaudet we can work together regardless of race, color, or level of hearing," said Lopez, "and that we can work with our students and understand their cultural differences."

The intent of this year's festival is the same—to promote awareness of Hispanic heritage. But this time, the organizers hope the message reaches a broader audience. "It's funny. At last year's festival, most of the people who came were Latinos," said Lopez. "They already know about their culture. What we need to do is inform others who don't know about our culture."

Hispanic Heritage Month at Gallaudet begins Sept. 15 with Hispanic food served at lunchtime in the University cafeteria, where COPAL will also have a tortilla-making demonstration. This event will also

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Ballet Folklorico Cristo Rey, which performs music from all of Mexico's provinces, will appear at Gallaudet's celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month Sept. 15-Oct. 15.

On the Green starts letter policy

In order to give *On the Green's* faculty and staff readers a forum to express their opinions on topics that relate to the University, a Letters to the Editor column is being initiated in the paper on a trial basis, beginning with the current academic semester.

The letters, which will be published on a space-available basis, can address articles that have appeared in *On the Green*, give opinions about current issues at Gallaudet, or respond to letters from other individuals whose letters have been printed in *On the Green*.

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Alarming addiction rates among deaf youth addressed at summer conference

According to state vocational rehabilitation counselors, drug and alcohol addiction among the deaf population they serve is three times higher than among their hearing clients.

To work toward reducing these alarming statistics, 100 counselors and teachers of deaf students in residential schools and mainstream programs from 30 states attended the Gallaudet Counseling Department's second conference on drug and alcohol abuse prevention among deaf youth this summer.

The conference was funded by the U.S. Department of Education's Drug-Free School Zone program and planned by Dr. Francine White, associate professor and project director of the conference, Dr. William McCrone, professor, and Cheryl Trotter, project coordinator, all of Gallaudet's Counseling Department.

"Deaf students are at high risk for drug and alcohol addiction because they lack access to the information that hearing students receive," said McCrone. White added that even if deaf youth read about the consequences of addiction, most of them do not understand the terms or how addiction applies to them. "They really need someone to explain addiction and prevention in their own language and be able to answer their questions," said White.

The key to success in combating drug and alcohol problems among youth—whether they are hearing or

deaf—is early intervention, the conference planners agreed. "Early intervention and education are important because teenagers become addicted within 15 months, while it takes an adult as long as five years or more to become addicted," said McCrone.

Unlike the first conference last year, which followed a format of presentations of theories and therapies, this year's conference was a hands-on approach, with participants sharing the successes and failures of their programs around the country.

"One of the most common expressions heard during the sessions was 'I didn't know that,'" said White. "The conferees were so glad to get the information they need to implement programs in their area." Gallaudet set up the conference because it was the most effective way to offer the information and training the participants wanted and needed, she added.

Methods of prevention covered at the conference focused on developing positive self-esteem, learning to make informed choices, how to ask for help, and how to reinforce abstinence from drug and alcohol use by becoming involved in community activities. Problems that were addressed included peer pressure and overcoming the attitude that drinking is a rite of passage to adulthood.

The Counseling Department hopes to reach more participants next year by having conferences at each of Gallaudet's Regional Centers.

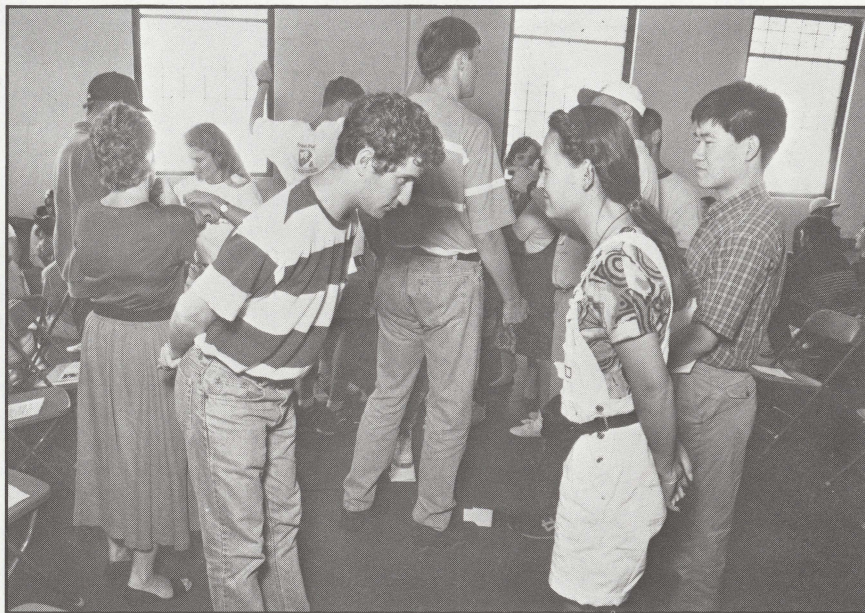
Activities celebrate Hispanic culture

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mark the close of the month's activities on Oct. 15. On Sept. 16, Rondalla Allegro will perform at the Northwest Campus from noon to 1 p.m.

A Sept. 17 program in Elstad Auditorium from 10 to 11 a.m. will include welcoming remarks by President I. King Jordan and Provost Harvey Corson, a talk by Angel Ramos, director of the Gallaudet Regional Center in Eastfield, Texas, who will explain the importance of Hispanic Heritage Month, and a performance by Rondalla Allegro. In addition, Hispanic food can be sampled in Ely Center from 11:15 a.m. to 2 p.m., and Ballet Folklórico Cristo Rey will perform from 7 to 8:30 p.m. that day in Elstad Auditorium.

Hispanic cuisine will be served in "Ole Jim" from 5 to 7 p.m. Oct. 2 to raise funds for the University's deaf Hispanic student organization; A workshop, "Educating the Hispanic Deaf," will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. Oct. 8 (location to be announced); a panel discussion, "The Hispanic Deaf Experience on How to Succeed," will be held Oct. 14 at MSSD from 3 to 4 p.m.; the arts and crafts fair and food festival will be held Oct. 15 in Ely Center from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Hispanic foods will be served for Parents Night at MSSD on Oct. 15 from 5 to 6:30 p.m.; and the student soccer game will be held at MSSD (time and date to be announced). For more information, contact Lopez or McCaskill-Emerson at x5691 or x5015.



Northwest Campus students assume roles in imaginary cultures to learn how cultural and language norms affect communication in this cross-cultural simulation game. The activity was part of NWC's New Student Orientation.

Programs welcome 620 new students to Northwest Campus, Kendall Green

The 320 participants in the Northwest Campus New Student Orientation (NSO) learned how diversity affects personal and organizational behavior and dynamics during a cross-cultural game, one of the many NSO activities held at the campus and at Kendall Green Aug. 24-Sept. 4.

And more than 300 new students arrived on Kendall Green for the undergraduate New Student Orientation on Aug. 24, including 75 students who transferred to Gallaudet from other colleges and 20 students from the New Signers Program (NSP), which began July 30.

The Northwest Campus students and their parents were greeted by President I. King Jordan Aug. 23 and immediately plunged into a busy schedule of meetings, tests, and workshops, said Cynthia Edwards, an assistant professor in the Department of English and coordinator of the Northwest Campus NSO.

The students learned about the various services Northwest Campus offers to help them succeed in the preparatory program, such as computer labs, and counseling, tutoring, and academic advising services.

The students also participated in activities such as a cross-cultural simulation game to help them identify social and problem-solving skills that also can help them succeed in the program, Edwards said.

For the games, students were divided into three groups. Each group was assigned a culture, complete with its own language, cultural rules, and social hierarchy. Each group attempted to learn the language and culture of the others during a series of visits.

Other activities included workshops on how to deal with culture shock—which were particularly important for the many students from foreign countries at Northwest Campus, said Edwards, and Inner Quest, a day-long activity filled with group decision-making challenges.

This year, the Kendall Green program followed the theme, "We Are One," which reflects the University's goal that the campus community value the cultural diversity of its members. Leah Cox, minority students affairs specialist in the office of the Dean of Student Affairs, trained NSO staff mem-

bers to be more sensitive to people's cultural differences. Multicultural activities were included in the program.

"We're making a conscious effort to make sure everyone involved in the program understands what we're trying to accomplish—that everyone be sensitive to other cultures," said Norma Buemi, coordinator of Paraprofessional and Orientation Programs in Student Affairs.

During NSO, students were invited to participate in a new mentoring program, in addition to the University's Minority Mentoring Program. The new Student Development Transcript Program operates on the theory that students learn as much from extracurricular activities as they do in the classroom.

Over the next year, students and their mentors will plan participation in extracurricular activities and job experiences and track how they helped the students reach goals and develop valuable skills. Stephen Weiner, director, and Daphne MacGregor, career counselor, both of the Career Center, have been instrumental in developing the program, said Buemi.

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"Next Step to Gallaudet" and "Son/Daughter Away from Home" were topics of the "Deaf Oprah Show" at the Northwest Campus Aug. 25. Evon Black (center), coordinator of student activities for NWC Student Life, portrayed talk-show host Oprah Winfrey for the NSO event, which will continue throughout the year.

Farmers Market brings touch of country to neighborhood

Just across a narrow alley bordering Gallaudet's Sixth Street parking lot, a cornucopia of homegrown fruits and vegetables, farm-raised meats, double-yolk eggs, and fish awaits shoppers who like their food fresh and from the local area.

About 8,000 customers a week shop at the large white building that houses the 42-acre D.C. Farmers Market, according to manager George Stevenson, who has worked at the market in some capacity for 30 years.

Meats and produce are trucked in from farms in Maryland, Pennsylvania, and Virginia and sold by the market's 28 vendors, some of whom operated open-air stalls at the same location before the building opened in 1967.

In addition to the usual items: broccoli, tomatoes, cantaloupes, onions, potatoes, fish, chicken, beef, and pork—less common fare, such as goat shoulder, beef and pork tongue, and cow and chicken feet—can be found at the butchers' stalls.

A delicatessen and a booth selling other items such as canned foods and other grocery goods also are available.

Farmers markets offer shoppers good prices on fresh food, said Harvey Chidel, who has owned and operated Harvey's Market, a meat and poultry shop, at the market for 21 years. "Prices are cheaper because we have low rent and buy directly from farmers. Retail space and warehousing are expensive. And vendors here get

fast delivery—that means freshness."

For example, veteran vendor Rachel Payne, who has operated Payne's Eggs for 21 years and was selling produce when the former open-air market opened at the site in 1941, says her white, brown, and double-yolk eggs are shipped fresh from Pennsylvania every day. "My prices aren't always cheaper than a store," she said, "but my eggs are always fresh. That's the whole idea of a market."

The market has "a nice relationship" with Gallaudet, Chidel said. "We get customers from over there, and would like to have more."

The market is also important for the neighborhood, Chidel said. "We are the neighborhood grocery store," he said. "None of the big [supermarket] chains are in this neighborhood. It would be tough for a lot of our customers to travel all the way out to where some of their stores are."

The D.C. Farmers Market building is surrounded by wholesale produce warehouses and other businesses that serve the city's restaurants. However, the entire quadrant, bounded by Sixth Street, Florida Avenue, Pennsylvania Street, and Fourth Street, is known as the Farmers Market, Stevenson said.

Retail marketing began at the site in 1942 with the opening of the Union Terminal Market. The area was selected because it was centrally located, easily accessible to shoppers, and close to the Baltimore and Ohio rail-

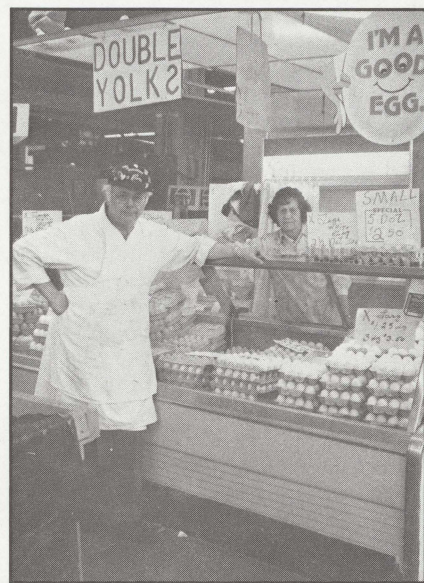


George Stevenson, manager of the D.C. Farmers Market, displays the bounty of one vendor who sells squash, watermelon, green beans, corn, carrots, and peppers.

road tracks. The open-air market flourished on a two-acre lot at the corner of Pennsylvania and Sixth streets until 1967, when most vendors moved into the current building. A few diehards, mostly farmers, hung on in the outside lot until the late 1970s.

According to records from the University Archives, there was a brief conflict in 1976 between the outdoor vendors and Gallaudet, which had acquired the lot for storing vehicles. But Paul Nance, then business manager for Gallaudet, determined that the College did not need the entire lot for its vehicles. So Gallaudet divided the lot, using half of it for its own purposes and leasing the other half for vendor use.

Over the years, the vendors began to eschew the open-air stalls for those inside the building, so that by the time Gallaudet was ready to use the entire lot to build its Grounds Services buildings, all of the outdoor stalls had closed, Chidel said.



Harvey Chidel, proprietor of Harvey's Market, and Rachel Payne, who owns Payne's Eggs, have sold fresh produce at the market for 21 and 41 years, respectively.



A variety of common and not-so-usual varieties of fresh cuts of meat are available to customers at the D.C. Farmers Market stalls.



On the occasional moment when business is slow, market vendors and their assistants take advantage of the lull in activity by playing a game of cards.

Among Ourselves

Student Health Service nurses Kim Waldenmaier and Mary Price attended the First National Networking Conference: School Nurses for the Deaf, at the Ohio School for the Deaf, Aug. 16-19. Price presented "Suicide Prevention: A Pro-Active Approach with a Hearing Impaired Population," which was developed by Gary Hotto, director of MSSD's Department of Counseling and Development. Price and Waldenmaier also chaired a session entitled "Student Independence vs. Liability."

Dr. Nancy Kensicki, a professor in

the Department of English, moderated a forum at the first Biennial Teachers of English and Language Arts Conference in Harrisburg, Pa., June 21-23. Kensicki also co-presented a paper, "Striving for Equity in Teacher Testing" at the National Association of the Deaf convention June 29-July 5.

Lillian Tompkins, MSSD English teacher, led training on whole language with teachers of deaf and hard of hearing students in Wayne County Public Schools in Wooster, Ohio, Aug. 19.

Letters column gives forum for opinions

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Due to space limitations, topics dealing with the deaf community outside of Gallaudet cannot be published. Also because of space, and because the intent of the letters is to present personal points of view—and not rebuttal arguments between those who have differing opinions on a particular topic—only one letter per person relating to a particular topic will be printed.

Letters must be limited to 175 words each and **must be signed**.

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Maryann Kinsella-Meier works with students at NWC's Audiology and Communication Clinic.

Northwest Campus clinic takes bold approach to communication training

Providing communication services for deaf and hard of hearing students that go beyond traditional approaches is an innovative step being taken at the Audiology and Communication Clinic at Gallaudet's Northwest Campus.

Under the direction of Maryann Kinsella-Meier, coordinator of audiology and communication therapy services, the clinic still provides aural and oral training, but is also now training students in communication strategies that meet their personal and professional needs. These can include defining personal goals, understanding legal rights, learning about assistive devices, exploring appropriate ways to be assertive, using problem-solving skills, and learning about the differences among cultures.

Northwest Campus students often need to develop strong communication skills, said Kinsella-Meier, because they have a greater tendency either to enter the work force immediately after completing their coursework at the School of Preparatory Studies or transfer to a school or training program that does not use sign language.

She recalled an example of how communication therapy can enhance communication within the family: A student's father did not use sign language, leaving interpretation duties to the boy's mother, who did not always interpret all the conversation for the student at the time it happened.

"The student tried many times to discuss this issue with his family but saw little improvement," Kinsella-Meier said. "So I arranged for them to meet here, where the student felt more in control. He requested his own interpreter for the meeting, so as not to rely on his mother or me. The family really had a breakthrough discussion. The student helped his family realize how important it was for him to be included in every conversation, and his father finally accepted the fact that he needed to use sign language to communicate with his son."

"We've always looked at how the deaf or hard of hearing person would fit into the hearing world," said Kinsella-Meier. "Not all communication needs are audiological or can be solved through speechreading or development of aural and oral skills. There are many aspects to communication, such as communication within the deaf community, understanding different personal styles, and how men and women communicate differently."

Each fall, Kinsella-Meier interviews new students. Among other things,

she asks them what their goals are and how they feel about their communication skills with both deaf and hearing people, and for one-on-one and group situations. She also explains the services the clinic offers.

Although the students are not required to have an audiological examination, many students request one, Kinsella-Meier said.

Students interested in communication therapy are scheduled for an intake interview where they and Kinsella-Meier determine what their communication skills are with both deaf and hearing people. She may direct some students to counselors, new signers programs, or academic advisors because their problems are not directly related to their communication abilities. The remaining students are scheduled for one or two one-hour sessions a week.

During the sessions the students analyze and refine their communication goals. "Students participate in analyzing and presenting their communication problems, which is important for improving their problem-solving skills," Kinsella-Meier said.

Students are encouraged to record their failures and successes in a pocket memo notebook they carry at all times. For example, students might record what happens if they use their voices at a restaurant or have discussions with their roommates.

Kinsella-Meier and the students use the notebook or videotapes made during therapy sessions or in communication classes to help determine why and how students succeed or fail in a given communication situation. Students also can improve oral and aural skills with speechreading and voice training.

At the end of the semester, if students are still not satisfied with the quality of their interactions with the hearing world, Kinsella-Meier will accompany them to a restaurant or a job site and perform a "real world" assessment as a basis for further therapy. A session might also be held with family or roommates to discuss various strategies and technologies that may enhance communication.

In 1990, Kinsella-Meier and secretary Norma Sines worked with five students a semester. Last year, Lee Ronis was hired as a part-time educational audiologist and 22 students were served each semester. This year, two deaf staff members, Florence Vold and Wilma Newhoudt, will become part of the clinic's team. Vold will work as a part-time volunteer, and Newhoudt as an intern.

MSSD Performing Arts Program gets new high-tech stage lighting system

The Model Secondary School for the Deaf's Performing Arts Program is joining the age of high technology with a new computerized lighting system for the school's auditorium and stage.

"The original system was definitely on its last legs," said Tim McCarty of the 16-year-old system. McCarty, who is artistic director for MSSD's Performing Arts Program, added that most theaters today control their lights by computer.

The new \$75,000 lighting system, known as an electronic noise reduction theatrical stage and house light control system, includes a control console and viewpoint station backstage and in the lighting booth.

The system will give the directors and producers of MSSD's shows more flexibility with lighting design. "In theater you have different 'looks,'" said McCarty. "We had very few looks because very little equipment was working. We had very little control with the dimmer. Basically, we had on and off. We couldn't have mood."

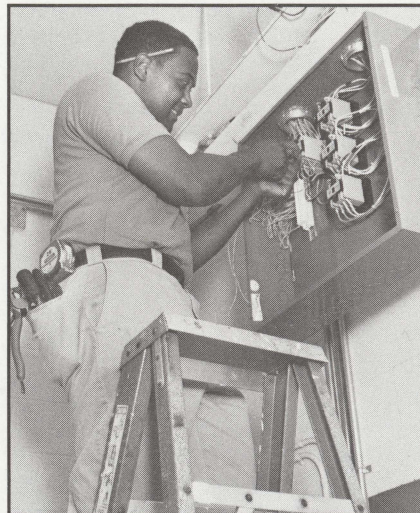
Whereas a standard MSSD play would take 80 to 100 different lighting cues that had to be cued individually for each performance, 120

cues can be programmed into the system. "This is definitely not Broadway, but it's a very, very nice system," said McCarty.

With the viewpoint station, MSSD production manager Myra Coffield can store several light programs for general use and then train several people to activate that program with a switch on the viewpoint station. For example, she may program lights for a general assembly and lights for another assembly where an overhead projector would be used, requiring dimmer lighting.

The lights are the first of several renovations planned for the auditorium, according to McCarty. First, the sound system will be repaired, and later, the video communication system that enables deaf staff in the booth to communicate with those backstage, and the equipment for rigging lights and props will be upgraded.

However, it is unknown whether the upgrades will put an end to a mysterious phenomenon that regular MSSD theatergoers are accustomed to. "In the past, lights would 'arc,' [fade on and fade off] by themselves at the strangest times," said McCarty. "We don't know yet if we've expelled the theater ghost."



Darryl Stevens of Kinetic Artistry, Inc., installs MSSD's new theater light system.

Gallaudet shines in College Bowl

A Gallaudet team took home its second consecutive first-place trophy from the Deaf College Bowl competition, held in July in conjunction with the National Association of the Deaf (NAD) convention in Denver, Colo.

The team, made up of junior Kelby Brick, sophomore Gino Gouby, junior Barry Solomon, and senior John Moore, competed against teams from California State University at Northridge (CSUN) and the National Technical Institute for the Deaf at the Rochester Institute of Technology (NTID). Participants answered questions in categories ranging from science and math to deafness and literature.

The final score was Gallaudet - 95, NTID - 84, and CSUN - 71.

This year's contest "was one of the most exciting competitions I have ever attended," said Gallaudet Provost Harvey Corson. "I am extremely proud of all the students who participated. It delights me to see how a good education makes such a significant difference in people's lives."

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Classified ads are printed free for Gallaudet faculty and staff. Ads must be submitted in writing to *On the Green*, MSSD, Room G-37, or E-mail LMMCCONNELL. Off-campus phone numbers must include an area code and whether the number is voice or TDD. Ads may be run two weeks if requested and if space permits. Ads received Sept. 14-18 will be published Sept. 28.

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